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RELEVANCE

Documents A01-04, A06-A07, and A10 came to the Applicants attention during a search of the corresponding international application. A copy of the International Search Report setting forth the portion of each reference considered relevant by the examiner is attached.

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An English language translation of the prior art documents are not readily available; however, the absence of such translations do not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted documents (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609).

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Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. §609.

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